## Title 16, PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

## SPECIFIC LANGUAGE

The Physical Therapy Board of California hereby amends its regulations in Division 13.2 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations as follows:

1399.15. Disciplinary Guidelines Model Guidelines for Issuing Citations and Imposing Discipline

In reaching a decision on a disciplinary action under the Administrative Procedure Act (Government Code Section 11400 et. seq.), the Board shall consider the disciplinary guidelines entitled "Disciplinary Guidelines" (Revised January 31, 1997 "Model Guidelines for Issuing Citations and Imposing Discipline", Renamed and Revised on May 11, 2004), which are hereby incorporated by reference. Deviation from these guidelines and orders, including the standard terms of probation, is appropriate where the Board, in its sole discretion, determines that the facts of the particular case warrants such a deviation - for example: The presence of mitigating factors; the age of the case; evidentiary problems.

Authority cited: Section 2615, Business and Professions Code; and Section 11400.21, Government Code. Reference: Sections 2660, 2660.1, 2661 and 2661.5, Business and Professions Code; and Section 11425.50(e), Government Code.